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- ☒ If copies of references (AH2-AK2, AA3-AE3, AQ and AL2) would benefit the Examiner of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney and copies will be forwarded immediately.
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- ☐ The "concise explanation" requirement (non-English references) for reference(s) [] under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) is satisfied by:
- ☐ the explanation provided on the attached sheet.
 - ☐ the explanation provided in the Specification.
 - ☐ submission of the enclosed International Search Report.
 - ☐ the enclosed English language abstract.

☐ Applicant requests that the following pending applications be considered:

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☐ A copy of each above-cited application, including the current claims, is enclosed.

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It is requested that the information disclosed herein be made of record in this application.

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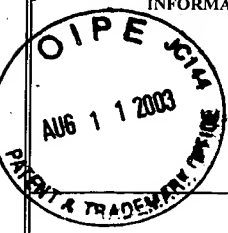
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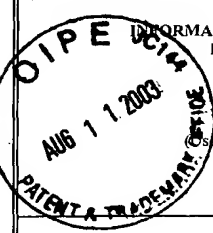
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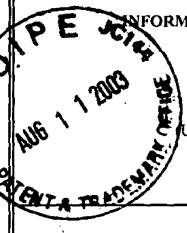
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	AB	4,365,269	12/21/82	Haendle	358	111	
	AC	4,383,327	05/10/83	Kruger	378	19	
	AD	4,593,400	06/03/86	Mouyen	378	99	
	AE	4,686,695	08/11/87	Macovski	378	146	
	AF	4,803,359	02/07/89	Hosoi <i>et al.</i>	250	327.2	
	AG	4,852,137	07/25/89	Mackay	378	62	
	AH	4,933,558	06/12/90	Carter <i>et al.</i>	250	327.2	
	AI	4,987,307	01/22/91	Rizzo <i>et al.</i>	250	368	
	AJ	5,127,032	06/30/92	Lam <i>et al.</i>	378	189	
	AK	5,150,394	09/22/92	Karellas	378	62	
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	AD2	5,434,418	07/18/95	Schick	250	370.11	
	AE2	5,510,623	04/23/96	Sayag <i>et al.</i>	250	370.11	
	AF2	5,554,850	09/10/96	Hejazi	250	367	
	AG2	5,576,552	11/19/96	Rantanen	250	484.4	
	AH2	4,843,241	06/27/89	Saotome <i>et al.</i>	250	327.2	
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	AC3	5,485,500	06/16/96	Baba <i>et al.</i>	378	98.2	
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